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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG LY

SUBJECT: LIBYAN OIL SITUATION

1. THE MAJORS' NEGOTIATORS HAVE LEFT LIBYA AFTER MEETING VERY BRIEFLY AND INCONCLUSIVELY WITH PETROLEUM MINISTER MABRUK ON AUGUST 26. HE INDICATED THAT THE MAJORS MIGHT BE HEARING FROM THE LARG AGAIN "WITHIN A FEW DAYS". AT NO TIME HAS HE SHOWN AN INTEREST IN THE MAJORS' INTERIM PROPOSAL.

2. [REDACTED] TOLD ME AUGUST 28 THAT HE HAD LEARNED ONLY AFTER AUGUST 25 THAT HIS IMPRESSION THAT DATE WAS A DEADLINE FOR NATIONALIZATION ITSELF WAS IN ERROR. WHAT JALLUD TOLD [REDACTED] AT LEAST, WAS THAT THE COMPANIES MUST ACCEPT PARTICIPATION ALONG OASIS-OXY LINES "BY AUGUST 25 OR BE NATIONALIZED". THIS IS, THE NATIONALIZATION WOULD FOLLOW, SOMETIME,
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BUT NOT NECESSARILY OCCUR ON THAT DATE AS [REDACTED] PREVIOUSLY UNDERSTOOD AND AS WE REPORTED (TRIPOLI 1083). B1A9

3. IN LIGHT OF THIS, OF MABRUK'S REMARK OF AUGUST 26 ABOUT "A FEW DAYS", AND PARTICULARLY JALLUD'S ABSENCE IN CAIRO NOW, THERE MAY BE TIME LEFT FOR THE MAJORS TO DEVELOP A NEW PROPOSAL, AT LEAST COSMETICALLY DIFFERENT. UNLESS ONE IS INTRODUCED IN THE CURRENT MIX, THE GENERAL EXPECTATION IS THAT SOME FURTHER ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST AT LEAST ONE OR TWO OF THE MAJORS BY SEPTEMBER ONE. WE CANNOT SAY IF THAT IS TRUE, BUT BELIEVE IT IS NOT UNLIKELY.
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